

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 352
By Graves

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize the Gallatin Police Department's DARE Program for their outstanding contributions to the war against drugs.

WHEREAS, it is only fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those special programs that unite people to achieve a common goal; and

WHEREAS, the Gallatin Police Department's D.A.R.E. Program is one such program that is most assuredly deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, drug abuse continues to be an international epidemic that plagues the future of this world: our children; and

WHEREAS, the Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program or D.A.R.E., confronts this societal problem by utilizing practical tactics to combat the substance abuse epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the Gallatin Police Department, in collaboration with the Gallatin Schools and the entire Gallatin community, is playing an active part in the D.A.R.E. Program; and

WHEREAS, last year, over 1,000 children graduated from the Gallatin D.A.R.E. Program and eight Gallatin schools with over 7,500 students were introduced to the program; and

WHEREAS, the D.A.R.E. program has also visited community churches, as well as public and private day care centers to convey the drug-free message; and

WHEREAS, well over 10,000 children have been positively affected by Gallatin's D.A.R.E. program this year alone; and

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WHEREAS, the Gallatin D.A.R.E. Program is the largest program of its kind in Sumner County and one of the largest in Middle Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, with the gallant efforts of Chief Tangel and the Gallatin Police Department, the D.A.R.E. Program in Gallatin will continue to reverse the trend of drug abuse among school-age youth; and

WHEREAS, it is only fitting that this General Assembly pause in its deliberations to honor this outstanding program; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and recognize Chief Tangel and the Gallatin Police Department's D.A.R.E. Program for their meritorious achievements in the battle against substance abuse.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.